RECREATION DIVISION 2004 WINTER MEN'S, MEN'S SENIOR, AND CO-REC SOFTBALL INFORMATION

ADULT SPORTS

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WINTER SOFTBALL LEAGUES

ATTENTION, FEE PAYMENT PROCEDURE: We can no longer accept <u>cash</u> or <u>personal checks</u> for league fee payment. Please make league fee payment by <u>cashier's check, money order</u>, or <u>Visa</u>, and <u>MasterCard only</u>. Please make cashier's checks and money orders payable to the <u>"CITY OF CHANDLER"</u>. League fee of \$345 for Men's Softball or \$237 and \$288 for Co-Rec. softball must be paid at the time of registration. However, a separate check for the \$20 A.S.A. registration fee <u>can</u> be paid with a <u>personal check</u>, <u>cashier's check</u>, or money order. Make checks out to A.S.A. <u>No cash or credit card</u> for A.S.A. payment.

REGISTRATION POLICY: The City of Chandler offers priority registration to Chandler residents and businesses. Teams with at least 80% of their players who live or work in Chandler are considered Class 1 teams. Class 1 teams failing to register during the priority registration period lose their priority status. Those teams not having 80% of their players living or working in Chandler are considered Class 2 teams. All registration will be **MAIL IN OR DROP OFF REGISTRATION** (drop off registration will be processed after the daily mail in registration is completed). ATTENTION: Drop off registration must be processed by Community Center staff and you must be issued a receipt before your registration can be is accepted. DO NOT just drop off your registration at the counter and just leave without getting a receipt. DO NOT DROP OFF registration after hours by putting registration through the door. You can mail in your registration to: **Softball Registration, City of Chandler, Community Services Department, Mail Stop 501, PO Box 4008, Chandler, AZ 85244-4008.** You may drop off your registration at: the Chandler Community Center, 125 E. Commonwealth Ave. at the main floor counter. Registration will only be accepted on the dates for the team priority that your team qualifies for (see below for priority registration dates).

Men's and Men's Senior Slow-Pitch

Enjoy competing and the company of friends through our Men's and Men's Senior Slow-Pitch Softball League. Three divisions will be offered for the Men's league. The regular season is followed by a post season double elimination tournament. **League play begins January 5, 2004**. Divisions offered: "B" competitive, "C" intermediate, and "D" recreational. There will be one Men's Senior League offered and it will begin on **March 1 or March 6, 2004**.

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Winter – January 5 – March 18, 2004

REGISTRATION DATES

Class 1 priority 1 - November 3 - 13, 2003 Class 1 priority 2 - November 14 - 23, 2003 Class 2 priority 3 - November 24 - 26, 2003

Men's C Doubleheader	Mon.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's C Doubleheader	Mon	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's D Doubleheader	Tue.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's D Doubleheader	Tue.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's C Doubleheader	Wed.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's C Doubleheader	Wed.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's B Doubleheader	Thur.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's D Doubleheader	Thur.	Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's Senior Doubleheader	Mon.	Folley Park, or Sat. at Snedigar Sportsplex
Men's D Doubleheader	Tue.	Folley Park
Men's C Doubleheader	Wed.	Folley Park
Men's D Doubleheader	Thur.	Folley Park

Co-Rec Slow-Pitch Softball

Hey co-workers, neighbors, and friends, the Chandler Recreation Division is offering co-rec. softball leagues. Six co-rec. softball leagues with two divisions: "C" intermediate, and "D" recreational will be offered. The league will run seven weeks of regular season play followed by a double elimination post season tournament.

LEAGUES OFFERED		REGISTRATION DATES		
Winter – January 9 – March 26, 2004	Class 1 priority 1 - November 3 – 13, 2003			
•		Class 1 priority 2 - November 14 – 23, 2003		
		Class 2 priority 3 - November 24 – 26, 2003		
Co-Rec C#1	Fri.	Snedigar Sportsplex		
Co-Rec C#2	Fri.	Snedigar Sportsplex		
Co-Rec C#3	Fri.	Snedigar Sportsplex		
Co-Rec D	Fri.	Snedigar Sportsplex		
Co-Rec D	Fri.	Folley Park		
Co-Rec D	Fri.	Folley Park		
LEAGUE FEES				
Fees must be paid at the time of registration.				
Men's Doubleheader	Class 1	\$345 + \$20 ASA		
Men's Doubleheader	Class 2	\$345 + \$20 ASA		
Men's Senior Doubleheader	Class 1	\$345 + \$20 ASA		
Men's Senior Doubleheader	Class 2	\$345 + \$20 ASA		
Co-Rec	Class 1	\$237 + \$20 ASA		
Co-Rec	Class 2	\$288 + \$20 ASA		

Games for the winter season will be played at the Snedigar Sportsplex and Folley Park. Registration priority for the winter season will follow established registration procedures.

<u>ATTENTION</u>, INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS LOOKING TO GET ON A TEAM: Your best chance to get on a team is to attend the coaches organizational meeting listed below. An individual players list will be compiled from this meeting and sent to the coaches upon request. Coaches at the meeting interested in individual players will have a chance to talk to you in person.

MANDATORY WINTER SOFTBALL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: A mandatory organizational meeting for all REGISTERED softball teams is scheduled for Thursday, December 18, 2002, at the Chandler Senior Center 202 E. Boston at 7:00 p.m. for Men's softball, and 8:00 p.m. for Co-Rec. softball. League schedules will be distributed and rules will be reviewed. Teams failing to send a team representative may be removed from the league. Play begins the week of January 5, 2004.

Men's and Men's Senior Slow Pitch 7:00 p.m. Co-Rec Slow Pitch 8:00 p.m.

ADULT SOFTBALL REGISTRATION PROCEDURES -- IMPORTANT

The City of Chandler grants registration priority to teams currently playing in our leagues. Registration priority is determined by class and current status in our league. There are three different classifications: Class 1, Priority 1; Class 1, Priority 2; and Class 2, Priority 3. <u>Please read the registration procedures carefully!</u>

PLEASE NOTE:

Any team maintaining 60% or more of the same players, that were <u>one of the top two first placing teams</u> in their league (C, or D league) in the previous season, must register for the next highest level of competition, or higher, for the upcoming season.

Class 1, Priority 1 Teams: Registration dates - Monday, November 3, through Thursday, November 13, 2003

Teams can mail in a COMPLETED roster, league fee, and ASA fee. Registration may be postmarked on (not before) October 31, 2003. Incomplete rosters will be rejected and could result in loss of registration priority. The City of Chandler is not responsible for lost, misdirected, or late mail. You may register at the Chandler Community Center at 125 E. Commonwealth Avenue at the main floor counter. The following criteria MUST be met in order to be considered a Class 1, Priority 1 team.

- a. Only teams that played in the **fall 2003 season** AND 80% of players on roster must live or work in Chandler (Chandler address).
- b. Team name must remain the same.
- c. Team manager must be the same as prior season.
- d. Teams must sign up for the same league and same night. **Exceptions:** The two "C" and "D" league teams that won their division, with the **best records**, must sign up for the next highest division. Also, the two teams in each division ("B" and "C") that have the worst record can sign up for a lower division of play if they choose to move down.
- e. Fee payment due at the time of registration.
- f. ASA fee payment of \$20.00 due at time of registration.
- g. Team registration that is not received between November 5 and November 16, loose priority status!
- h. Mail registration to: City of Chandler

Attn.: Softball Registration P.O. Box 4008, Stop 501 Chandler, AZ 85244-4008

Class 1, Priority 2 Teams: Registration dates – Wednesday, November 14, and Saturday, November 22, 2003

Teams will mail in a COMPLETED roster, league fee, and ASA fee. Registration may be postmarked on (not before) November 12, 2003. Incomplete rosters will be rejected and could result in loss of registration priority. The City of Chandler is not responsible for lost, misdirected, or late mail. You may drop off your registration at the Chandler Community Center, 125 E. Commonwealth Avenue at the main floor counter. However, dropped off registration will be processed after mail in registration of that day. The following criteria MUST be met in order to be considered a Class 1, Priority 2 team. Team representatives must sign up using the following procedures:

- a. Teams must have 80% of their roster living or working in Chandler (Chandler address).
- b. Teams that played in the **fall 2003 season** who wish to register for a different league night.
- c. Fee payment due at the time of registration.
- d. ASA fee payment of \$20.00 due at the time of registration.
- e. Completed roster due at time of registration.
- f. Mail registration to: City of Chandler

Attn.: Softball Registration P.O. Box 4008, Stop 501 Chandler, AZ 85244-4008

Class 2, Priority 3 Teams: Registration dates - Monday, November 24, through Wednesday, November 26, 2003

Teams will mail in a COMPLETED roster, league fee, and ASA fee. Registration may be postmarked on (not before) November 21, 2003. Incomplete rosters will be rejected and could result in loss of registration priority. The City of Chandler is not responsible for lost, misdirected, or late mail. You may drop off your registration at the Chandler Community Center, 125 E. Commonwealth Avenue at the main floor counter. However, dropped off registration will be processed after mail in registration of that day. The following criteria MUST be met in order to be considered a Class 2, Priority 3 team. Team representatives must sign up using the following procedures:

- a. Any team that has less than 80% of the player roster living or working in Chandler (open registration).
- b Fee payment due at the time of registration.
- c. ASA fee payment of \$20.00 due at the time of registration.
- d. Completed roster due at time of registration.
- e. Mail registration to: City of Chandler

Attn.: Softball Registration P.O. Box 4008, Stop 501 Chandler, AZ 85244-4008 <u>ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:</u> Prohibited in City Parks. City Code, Chapter 11, Section 3, and Chapter 31. Players/teams will be dropped from the league for this violation.

<u>AWARDS:</u> Sponsor trophies or cash awards will be awarded to the top three teams in each league, with 15 individual T-shirts awarded to the first and second place team in each league. **15 individual first place T-shirts will be awarded in each league for the Post Season Tournament.**

GAME CANCELLATION DUE TO WEATHER: If the weather on the day of a game appears threatening, a decision whether to play the game will be made by 3:00 p.m. Managers have the responsibility of calling the Weather Hotline at 480-782-2715 **AFTER** 3:00 p.m. to determine whether the games will be played or not. Unless told (by the department) the games are canceled, assume they will be played and show up at game time. All games canceled will be made up at a later date, or during make up week.

GAME AND FORFEIT TIME: Time listed on the schedule is game time and forfeit time. Games will start at 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, and 9:30 p.m. A grace period, up to fifteen minutes (15:00 min.), may be extended by the team having a full roster (8 players min.) to the team without a full roster (less than 8 players). The full roster team has the option within that 15 minute grace period to continue to wait or take the win. The clock will start at the scheduled game time (6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30). If any time is used for the grace period, that time will count towards the game clock. Example, if a team is given the full 15 minute grace period, they will have 45 minutes to complete the game. Time begins when the Field Supervisor tells the team to take the field. Any team that expects to forfeit a scheduled game is required to call the league coordinator at 480-782-2704. The official time is kept by the Field Supervisor. A copy of the schedule will be distributed to all managers at the organizational meeting on December 18, 2003.

FORFEIT FEES: A forfeit fee will be imposed on a team's second forfeit. (for the Men's doubleheader league, if a team forfeits both games in one night, they must pay a \$20.00 forfeit fee prior to their next game, or those games will also be forfeited.) A 1,2,3 count will be assessed. For the first forfeit, a warning will be issued. Upon a team's second forfeit, the team will be required to pay a \$20 fine. The fine MUST be paid prior to their next game. Teams that do not pay or refuse to pay this fine, will be dropped from the league. The third forfeit will result in removal from the league and loss of priority registration status for the upcoming season. Site supervisors at the game site will not accept payment for any fees. All fees must be paid at the Chandler Community Center or the Snedigar Recreation Center and you must show the site supervisor at your next game your receipt for the forfeit fee payment before your team can play. Please be prompt in paying your forfeit fee. The recreation centers are not open for payment after 2:00 p.m. on Saturdays, closed on Sundays, and do not open again until 8:00 a.m. on Monday.

<u>SPORTS HOT-WEB SITE:</u> Go to our web site at **www.chandleraz.gov/default.aspx?pageID=184** after 4:00 p.m. weekdays following your game. Hot Line is updated daily with results from previous night's games.

INSURANCE: The City of Chandler does not provide player insurance for this league. Players play at their own risk.

<u>LIGHT/FIELD RESERVATIONS:</u> Ballfields may be reserved for night practice. The fee is \$12 per hour. Lights fees must be paid 24 hours in advance. Call **480-782-2727** to make a reservation.

<u>PARK LOCATION:</u> SNEDIGAR SPORTSPLEX - 4500 S. Basha Rd. (1/2 mile south of Ocotillo.) FOLLEY PARK - 601 E. Frye Road (1/2 mile east of Arizona Avenue).

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY AND ROSTERS: An eligible player is a player who is playing in the correct classification according to rule, is at least 16 years of age by the first league game, and is legally listed on the team roster. Rosters may have up to twenty (20) players and must be turned in with fee payment at time of registration. Any player may be deleted from the roster, but only three (3) players may be added after the roster is turned in with the entry fee. The Field Supervisor and Sports Coordinator have the option to reject a player addition, or eject a player from the league, if the player's ability is above that team's league classification. If a player's ability is above the league classification, the Sports Coordinator will observe the player for a minimum of two games and will make a recommendation as to whether the player should be removed from the league. All rosters are frozen as of the first game. A player may not play in two different skill level divisions in Chandler. Example, a player on a "B" division team may not play on a "C" or "D" division team. Managers are encouraged to fill all spots on their roster. ANY PLAYER ADDITIONS CANNOT CHANGE THE TEAM'S CLASSIFICATION.

<u>POST-SEASON TOURNAMENT:</u> A double elimination tournament for each league will follow the end of the regular season. All teams qualify for this tournament. Where possible, the top four teams and bottom four teams from each league will switch for a more even level of tournament play. Teams must be prepared to play at <u>any time and any day of the week</u>. Seeding for the post season tournament will be based on the 2nd to last game of the season standings, so a tournament schedule can be handed out to teams at the last game of the season. <u>NOTE TO CO-REC. TEAMS</u>: The post season tournament will be played as a <u>doubleheader</u> on both <u>Friday and Saturday nights</u>. Be prepared to play on either night. If you can not play on <u>Saturday</u> night, please do not register for this league.

ROSTERS: Rosters cannot exceed 20 players. Rosters must be submitted at time of registration. Rosters must be legible and all information filled in or they will **not** be accepted.

<u>UNIFORMS</u>: Teams will be required to have shirts of the same color(s) with numbers (at least 4" high) on **front or back** while playing in the game. Exception: If a player(s) does not have a team shirt, the field supervisor will enforce an 80/20 uniform rule. **If a player(s) has forgotten to bring his shirt, he can still play, as long as 80% of the team members playing have legal shirts. Numbers must be commercially printed or stenciled - no "magic marker" or "taped on numbers."**

CITY OF CHANDLER RECREATION DIVISION SOFTBALL LEAGUE RULES & REGULATIONS

RULES AND REGULATIONS: Amateur Softball Association will govern all games except as amended by the City of Chandler Recreation Division rules listed below. Each manager is urged to become knowledgeable of the ASA rules and rule changes.

- NUMBER OF PLAYERS: A game may be played with only eight players. For Co-Rec. softball, (8) players are needed to start a game, as long as there are not more men than women players playing. If a team plays with only eight players, the ninth and tenth batting slots are not an automatic out. The ninth and tenth players need to be added to the lineup as they arrive. Other players arriving after the tenth player is added to the line-up, will have to be substitutes. A team may not end the game with less than eight (8) players.
- **PLAYERS LEAVING THE LINEUP:** If a team has a substitute he must play. If they have no substitute, that position will be an out the first time that position comes to bat, then the line-up can be closed up with the remaining players in the line-up.
- <u>UNLIMITED BATTING:</u> All players at the start of the game may be placed in the batting order for unlimited batting. If a player leaves the game for any reason and is not replaced, his position in the batting order then becomes an automatic out the first time that position comes up to bat. After that, the team can close up the line-up with the other players left in the game. Changes with the defensive players may be made at any time; however, the batting order may not change. <u>Example</u>: An extra batter may sit on the bench one inning, play third base one inning, play outfield one inning, sit on the bench again, and then play first base. **In Co-Rec. Softball, if there is more men than women on a team, two men can alternate batting with each other in the same batting position. In case of injury to one of the alternating batters, that spot will be an out when his turn comes to bat.**
- BALLS AND STRIKES: A mat and the home plate will be used to call strikes. All batters will start with a one and one count.

<u>BATS:</u> Beginning in the fall 2001 season, slow pitch bats approved by A.S.A. will be legal to use in the Chandler Adult Softball League in both Men's, Men's Senior and Co-Rec. Divisions. You can find out about approved bats by going to the A.S.A. web site at www.softball.org and go to "approved bats". If your bat appears on this list it will be legal to use in the Chandler Softball League.

• <u>COURTESY RUNNER:</u> One courtesy runner per inning is allowed. The runner must be a player not in the game or who made the last out. In Co-Rec. Softball, if a courtesy runner is due up to bat while he/she is on base, they can be replaced as a courtesy runner by the last person to score a run of the same gender as the courtesy runner.

<u>SIMPLE EJECTION:</u> Any player, coach, or fan, who uses inappropriate language (cursing) may be ejected from a game. Unsportsmanlike activity, such as unnecessary rough play or other unsportsmanlike activity may lead to ejection from a game.

<u>PENALTY FOR SIMPLE EJECTION:</u> For doubleheader league games, you will serve a **two game suspension** after the game you were ejected from. For singleheader games you will serve a **two-week suspension** after the game you were suspended from. This will include holidays (if the first or second week of your suspension falls on a holiday that we do not play games, it will still count towards your suspended time off). Any fan who is ejected twice, is ejected from the gym or park for the remainder of the season. Any ejected player or manager must leave the park area immediately.

- <u>OUTRAGEOUS CONDUCT:</u> Any player, coach, or fan, who displays <u>"Outrageous Conduct"</u> (such out of control behavior is defined as, and includes: A verbal tirade and fusillade of abusive language, gestures or threats towards other players, fans, officials, or City staff; physical contact with any other player, fan, official, or City staff; throwing, kicking, or striking of objects in a threatening or dangerous manner). This conduct includes harassing behavior such as following another player, fan, official, or City staff off the field, into the parking lot or off the premises, or any attempt to block the departure of other players, fans, officials, or City staff from their departure. Such conduct can lead to a full calendar year suspension or more and possible criminal prosecution.
- ARGUING WITH THE UMPIRE: Umpires will allow a "reasonable and polite discussion", of their calls and decisions. The umpire will determine when the discussion is "reasonable and polite", and when the discussion is over. If a player is "ejected" he or she must leave the park immediately. When the game is over, continued, unwanted discussion or arguing with an umpire by players, coaches, or fans can result in ejection and suspension of players, coaches, fans, and teams. Following an umpire off the field, out of the park, or confronting him in the parking lot is prohibited. Making threatening gestures, either verbal or physical, including any attempt to block an umpire's departure from the park, can result in ejection, or suspension, for both individuals and the whole team from the league, plus possible criminal prosecution.

- GAME BALLS: ATTENTION: As of August 18, 2003, the City of Chandler will use softballs in our City league and tournament play with a compression rating of 375 pounds for all A.S.A. Championship play. New game balls will be provided for each game by the Recreation Division. The home team will be given the game ball after its game.
- **GAME LENGTH:** Games will consist of seven (7) innings with no new inning beginning after **55 minutes.** All tournament championship games will go a full seven innings of play.
- **HOME-RUN RULE:** The batter is ruled out for any excess of the following allotted amounts:

A league: six (6) per team
B league: four (4) per team
C league: three (3) per team
D league: one (1) per team

NOTE: Any fly ball touched by a defensive player, which then goes over the fence in fair territory, should be declared a four-base award and shall not be included in the total of over-the-fence home runs. Any time the batter is ruled out because of the excessive home run rule, the ball is dead and no runners can advance. The batting team must retrieve all home run balls.

- <u>PHYSICAL ASSAULT:</u> No player or manager shall, at any time, lay a hand upon, shove, strike or threaten an official, field supervisor or spectator. The player will be ejected from the ball game and will not be allowed back in the league for the remainder of the season. **Physical assault could result in prosecution.**
- PROTEST: Protests must be made at the time the play in question is committed. The coach must notify the umpire in chief before the next pitch. The umpire will then notify the opposing team and both scorekeepers. The umpire and field supervisor will attempt to solve the problem. Protests shall not be received or considered if they are based solely on a decision involving the accuracy of judgment on the part of an umpire. Rule(s) interpretation will be the only consideration for protest. If the protest is not settled by the field supervisor or umpire, submit a written protest to the Chandler Recreation Division no later than 5:00 p.m. of the next working day. The Sports Coordinator will review the protest and notify the manager when a decision has been made. Questions on player(s)' eligibility, age, identity and uniforms must be brought to the attention of the umpire and field supervisor by the manager before the player(s) in question have played two complete innings. No more than three players may be questioned per game. Once the game ends, no protests involving eligibility, age, uniforms, or identity will be considered. Protest of a player's eligibility, as a result of playing under an assumed name or player not listed on an official roster, shall be resolved by immediate photo ID verification, i.e., driver's license, to be done by the field supervisor. If the player cannot provide ID, he is removed from the game. If the player is found to be illegal, the penalty will be the loss of the game.
- MULTIPLE TEAMS: A player may play on two teams as long as it is in the same skill level, "division", but not the same night and league. Example, if a player plays in "C" Wednesday, he/she can play on another team such as: "C" Monday division team but not another "C" Wednesday team. Any player who plays on more than one team during the regular season can only play on one team during the post season tournament. If a player plays on more than one team during the post season tournament, it will be considered as an illegal player. A player may not play two different skill level divisions in Chandler. Example, a player on a "B" division team may not play on a "C" or "D" division team.
- **RE-ENTER:** Any of the starting players may be withdrawn and re-entered once, provided such player occupies the same batting position. A starting pitcher who is withdrawn can return to the pitching position for the remainder of the game. A player other than a starting player may not again re-enter the game after once being withdrawn. The only exception to this rule is if a team player is seriously injured. **In Co-Rec. Softball they will have unlimited field substitution.**
- **ROSTER CHECK:** The Field Supervisor will verify randomly all players' residences or places of employment at the first game. Verification will continue until all teams have been checked. Players are not eligible for play until they provide proper ID. Players must carry with them proper identification.
- RUN RULES: After any complete inning, any team ahead by 20 runs or more is the winner. After four and a half or five innings, a team ahead by 12 runs automatically wins.
- **SCOREKEEPER:** The **home** team is the official scorekeeper. If the home team does not supply a scorekeeper, the visiting team has the option of supplying the official scorekeeper. If they do, then the visiting team becomes the home team. If the original visiting team does not wish to be or cannot supply a scorekeeper, the original home team **must** provide a scorekeeper; even if it means pulling a player from the lineup. Refusal will result in the home team forfeiting to the visiting team. The visiting team is responsible for comparing score books after each inning. If there is a discrepancy in scores, play is halted to solve the problem. After the next pitch,

no further discussion will be considered. The field supervisor will give the official score sheet to the home team before each game. If there is a discrepancy at the end of the game regarding the score, it must be resolved between the coaches, umpire and supervisor that night. At the end of each game, the field supervisor will collect and keep the final/official score sheet to be turned into the coordinator.

- <u>TIED GAMES:</u> In order to shorten the length of tied games (after seven innings or the one hour time limit), **one** extra inning will be played. Each team will start its half of the inning with a player on second base to reduce the chance of a tie game. If the game is still tied after the extra inning, the game ends in a tie.
- <u>TIED STANDINGS:</u> The season will consist of a 14 (men's doubleheader) and a 7 (for the Co-Rec.) game schedule. If teams are tied during the regular season, final standings will be decided in the following manner. If two teams tie for a position in the standings, whichever team defeated the other during the regular season will then receive the higher position in the standings. If three or more teams tie for the same position, then whichever team had the best record among the teams that were tied will then have the higher position in the standings. If all teams that are tied have identical win/loss records against each other, then a run differential formula will be used. If teams are still tied after these two methods, then the teams that are tied will play ONE 7 INNING GAME during the week to determine the tiebreaker (first place only). Teams must be prepared to play any day and time during the week.
- <u>UNIFORMS:</u> Teams are required to have shirts of the same color(s) with numbers. Exception: If a player(s) does not have a team shirt, the field supervisor will enforce an 80/20 uniform rule. **If a player(s) has forgotten to bring their shirt, they can still play, as long as 80% of the team members playing have legal shirts.** Shirt numbers must be mounted on the **front or back.** No metal spikes or cleats.

<u>BATS:</u> Bats approved by A.S.A. will be legal to use in the Chandler Adult Softball League in both Men's and Co-Rec. Divisions. You can find out about approved bats by going to the A.S.A. web site at www.softball.org and go to "approved bats". If your bat appears on this list it will be legal to use in the Chandler Softball League unless otherwise stated.

- **BANNED BATS:** If a player steps into the batters box with a banned bat, the batter will be out and be disqualified for the remainder of that game. If A.S.A. bans a bat after the season is under way, a player stepping into the batters box with that newly banned bat (for the first time only) will be given a warning and required to use another bat. If that player attempts to use that bat again, he will be out, and be disqualified for the remainder of that game.
- BASE ON BALLS COED: Any walk to a male batter (intentional or not) will result in a two base award. The next batter a female must bat. EXCEPTION: With two outs, the female batter has the option to walk or bat up until the first pitch. (Rule 8, Section 1 C-3).
- <u>CO-REC. LINE:</u> For C and D divisions in the Co-Rec. league the outfield Co-Rec. Line will determine the forward limits all outfielders can play when a female batter is batting. (Infielders must stay on the dirt infield.) After the ball is hit the outfielders may come forward of the line. (Infielders may enter the grass outfield.) The penalty for violating the Co-Rec. Line will have the effect of a walk. An umpire will declare a violation of the Co-Rec. Line after the play is over. If the batter is thrown out or strikes out, she will be awarded first base. All other runners will advance safely one base (if they were thrown or tagged out during the play in which the Co-Rec. Line was violated). If the female batter hits safely, she will be awarded an additional base after the play is over. All other runners will advance safely one base (if they were thrown or tagged out during the play in which the Co-Rec. Line was violated).

City of Chandler Recreation Division encourages feedback and suggestions about how the programs and facilities might be improved. Inform the field supervisor or call 480-782-2704 with any comments/suggestions.

ADULT SPORTS REFUND POLICY

- 1. The Department encourages all teams to schedule activities carefully to avoid conflicts.
- 2. Full refunds will not be granted under any circumstance except in the event of a canceled league or tournament by the Department, or if a team can be found to replace the team requesting the refund.
- 3. Team withdrawal that occurs up to two weeks prior to the start of the league or tournament will be subject to a \$25 administrative handling fee.
- 4. Team withdrawal that occurs from two weeks prior to the start of the league or tournament to the day before the league or tournament begins will be subject to a \$50 administrative handling fee.
- 5. No refunds will be issued after the league or tournament starts.
- 6. Request for refunds must be made at the Chandler Community Center during regular business hours, 8 a.m. 5 p.m., Monday Friday.
- 7. Refunds will be sent via mail in the form of a check about three weeks after request was submitted.